Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida

WHEREAS, in 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, trees in our cities increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that April 27, 2019, shall be known, designated, and set aside as

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY

in Manatee County, Florida, and all citizens are urged to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, to support our city’s urban forestry program, and to plant trees to promote the wellbeing of present and future generations and to enhance our community.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 23rd day of April 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Stephen R. Jonsson, Chairman

ATTEST: Angelina Colonneseo
Clerk of the Circuit Court